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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 21, 2004, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection of claims 1-12 in light of the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-12 are pending.

Claims 1-12 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) over Namikawa (U.S. Patent No. 6,094,698) in view of JP 10213997 (hereinafter, "JP '997"). Applicants traverse this rejection.

The combination of Namikawa and JP '997 does not disclose or suggest all of the features recited in claim 1. Specifically, the combination of Namikawa and JP '997 does not disclose "a power supply control device for controlling power supply to the optional device in response to the transfer state stored in the second storage medium."

While the Examiner has conceded that Namikawa fails to disclose this feature of claim 1, the Examiner asserts that the feature is disclosed in paragraphs [0006]-[0008],